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IN IPSWICH BAY.

Big Raft of Mackerel Schooling This Forenoon.

Small Pods Inside Breakwater and Catches on Maine Coast.

Mackerel seem to be following near the shore, and since yesterday small schools have been seen in the harbor and around the Cape.

This forenoon, small pods of fish were sighted near Milk island and also inside of Dog Bar breakwater, the fish making frequent appearances in small pods.

Following the good news that mackerel are schooling off here comes the report that fish have also put in an appearance on the Maine coast. The small boats landed about 500 mackerel at Portland yesterday, which were medium sized, and brought good prices.

Mackerel were reported schooling in Ipswich bay this morning, great rafts of the fish being seen moving through the water, extending from Halibut Point, Rockport, to Newburyport. During the noon hour several large schools of the fish passed by Halibut Point, moving northward.

Among those in addition to those previously reported, who were successful in making catches in this vicinity this morning were F. A. Andrews' boat, 3000 fresh mackerel, Heath's trap, 6500, sloop W. H. Clements, 150, and sloop Viola 200.

Boston.

Sch. Rapidan, 25,000 cod.
Sch. James S. Steele, 10,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
Sch. Maud F. Silva, 1500 cod.
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 50,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 5000 hake.
Sch. Shepherd King, 55,000 haddock, 4000 cod.
Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 10,000 haddock, 5000 cod.
Steamer Lydia F., 900 large fresh mackerel, 700 small fresh mackerel.
Sch. Mystery, 400 large fresh mackerel, 400 small fresh mackerel.
Sch. Sadie M. Numan, 3000 haddock, 15,000 cod.
Sch. Agnes V. Gleason, 24,000 cod.
Sch. Minerva, 22,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Marguerite McKenzie, 3000 cod, 3000 pollock, 1000 halibut.
Sch. Gov. Russell, 10,000 haddock.
Haddock, \$1 to \$1.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$1.50; hake, \$1.50 to \$4; pollock, \$2; halibut, 9 cents per lb.; fresh mackerel, 16 and 9 cts., each.

Scarf pins, broach pins, sleeve buttons, ladies' and gent watch chains, at Winchester's jeweler, 182 Main street.

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CAPT. MALONE GIVES OPINION.

States Views Regarding Test of Otter Trawling.

COMPARES ENGLISH FISHING.

Large Receipts in This Country and Small Prices.

Capt. H. Dexter Malone, the well known master mariner, who has resigned his command of the steam otter trawler Spray, after giving that method of fishing a thorough trial, gives the following in his opinion regarding the result, which he thinks is a failure:

"One of the great differences between steam trawling on this coast and in England is the price of fish," said he. "In the six months I have been on the Spray we have caught more fish than any steam trawler in England catches in a year. A record catch of an English trawler is 8000 boxes of fish a year. These boxes contain 112 pounds of fish, and they secure on an average \$5 a box in the market. Figuring 112 pounds to a box, the Spray has averaged but \$1.65 a box for its fish, against \$5 of the English trawler."

"What we consider our highest price for fresh fish is the medium price paid for fish in England. Soles, which are caught quite abundantly by English trawlers, bring \$27 per box. Flounders which we get on this coast bring about one-half a cent a pound. This wide difference in prices places the English trawler on a different basis from the American fisherman. Here we have such a large fleet of fast going schooners that the market is often flooded with fish, and the average price is not one-third of that of the English fishermen."

"Only a slight advantage is gained by steam power. A schooner of the fast sailing type which is now characteristic of the fishing fleet can beat the Spray in from South channel by four hours, with a fair wind. A schooner and its dories can cover more ground than can be covered by the steam trawler. Their dorymen spread out over miles of territory and set their trawls while the range of the trawler's net is comparatively small. I am convinced that month for month a schooner can bring in more fish than a steam trawler. The steam trawler is at a disadvantage in dressing down its fish. The hauls of the net land great quantities of fish on the deck, and there are not enough men to dress down."

"Schooners carry from 18 to 24 men and it takes a comparatively short time to 'dress down' and stow away the fish. It would be hardly profitable for a steam trawler to carry larger crews to 'dress down' as the time the men would be idle when fish was not being caught would be unprofitable. I found that this coast was not unfavorable for steam trawling. Occasionally we ran into grounds covered with boulders and wreckage which played havoc with the nets, but most of the grounds were favorable for hauling a net over them."

"The condition of fish brought in by a net are not to be compared with those landed by dorymen on a trawl. On a recent trip I was out but two days, and the fish were all alive when hauled aboard. They were 'dressed' and iced down in an hour and a half after they were caught, yet when brought into port

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LANDED FEW FISH.

Traps and Mackerel Netters Did Poorly Last Night.

But Few Schools Sighted Off Here Since Monday.

The traps and mackerel netters did poorly last evening, but few fish being landed this morning here. Large mackerel are bringing 17 cents and medium five cents.

The boats at Lakesville today landed about 400 large fish. No schools have been reported since Monday when several small pods were seen in Ipswich Bay.

The receipts of fresh mackerel at Dennett's wharf at the Port from the netters and traps included about 15,000 mackerel.

Sch. Gardner Heath loaded 79 mackerel this forenoon which were purchased by the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company.

No fish have been reported schooling off Rockport since Monday. The traps took between five and six barrels of mackerel last evening, including large, medium and spikes.

A considerable quantity of fresh mackerel was received at T wharf, Boston, yesterday, from the Provincetown and Newport.

Steamers Lydia F. and Mystery took their mackerel off Minot's light and sold the large at 16 cents and the small for six cents.

This morning sch. Priscilla arrived at Boston with 900 large fresh mackerel which sold at 17 cents. About 10 o'clock one of the Nahant boats brought 2000 medium mackerel from the traps at Nahant, which were sold at five cents.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Paragon, Bacalieu Bahk, 8000 lbs. salt cod, 12,000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Grand Banks, 10,000 lbs. salt cod, 45,000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Agnes, Gulf of St. Lawrence, 5000 lbs. salt cod, 20,000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Patriot, Rips, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Harmony, Cape Nome, 40,000 lbs. salt fish.
Sch. Squanto, via Boston.
Sch. Nellie Dixon, via Boston.
Steamer Bryda F., 5000 medium fresh mackerel.

Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.

Spilling prices of fresh fish; Large Eastern cod, \$1.75; medium do., \$1.25; large Western cod, \$2.00; medium do., \$1.37 1-2; haddock, 85 cts.; cusk, \$1.25; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 65 cts.

Bank halibut, 7 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. for gray.

Salt handline Georges codfish, \$4.25 per cwt. for large, \$3.25 for medium.

Salt Trawl Georges codfish, \$3.75 for large \$3.25 for medium.

Salt hake, \$1.12 1-2

Salt haddock, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, \$2.00.

Salt pollock, \$1.25.

Large salt "drift" Georges codfish, \$3.50; medium do., \$2.50; snappers, \$1.62 1-2.

Salt trawl bank codfish, \$3.25 for large, \$2.25 for medium, snappers \$1.50.

Fresh Old England hake, 50 cts. per bbl.

Salt Cape Shore mackerel, \$13 per bbl.

Large fresh mackerel, 20 cents each.

Small fresh mackerel, 5 cents each.

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inside of 36 hours the dealers complained of the soft condition of the fish. The dragging of the trawl over the ground and the crowding of fish in the net causes some bruising, but I do not understand why the fish should not be in better condition than they are.

"The steam trawler had an advantage over the schooner in fishing in rough weather. The net can be set and hauled when a schooner's captain would not allow his dorymen to set out from the vessel on account of the danger of their losing their lives. Steam trawling is a much more humane method of fishing, and from that point of view deserves to be a successor of the dory style of trawling. From any observation, covering all points of trawling in this country and England, I am convinced that it will be many years, if ever, before the schooner trawlers will be succeeded by steam. There is a possibility that if another man can bring better result on the Spray than I have, that another trawler may be built. I have done the best I could, and find that there is more money for me in schooner fishing than in steam trawling."

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UNDERGOING REPAIRS.

Steam Trawler Spray Damaged Nets Considerably on Last Trip.

The steam trawler Spray is at Simpson's dry dock, East Boston, for underwater painting and general overhauling. It is expected that she will be in dry dock several days before starting on her trip to the grounds under her new skipper, Capt. Frank Carroll. The Spray on her last trip damaged her nets considerably, requiring much repairing.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- Sch. Priscilla, Rips, 50,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Lucy E., Block Island, 25,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Manomet, south, seining.
- Sch. Almeida, mackerel netting.
- Sch. James S. Steele, via Boston.
- Sch. A. C. Newhall, 100 fresh mackerel, one swordfish.
- Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, Cape North, 125,000 lbs. salt cod.

Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.

Splitting prices of fresh fish: Large Eastern cod, \$1.75; medium do., \$1.25; large Western cod, \$2.00; medium do., \$1.37 1-2; haddock, 85 cts.; cusk, \$1.25; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 65 cts.

Bank halibut, 7 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. for gray.

Salt headline Georges codfish, \$4.25 per cwt. for large, \$3.25 for medium.

Salt Trawl Georges codfish, \$3.75 for large \$3.25 for medium.

Salt hake, \$1.12 1-2

Salt haddock, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, \$2.00.

Salt pollock, \$1.25.

Large salt "drift" Georges codfish, \$3.50; medium do., \$2.50; snappers, \$1.62 1-2.

Salt trawl bank codfish, \$3.25 for large, \$2.25 for medium, snappers \$1.50.

Fresh Old England hake, 50 cts. per bbl.

Salt Cape Shore mackerel, \$13 per bbl.

Large fresh mackerel, 26 cents each.

Small fresh mackerel, 5 cents each.

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Boston.

- Sch. Mary C. Santos, 30,000 haddock, 44,000 cod.
- Sch. Priscilla, 900 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Dorothy, 1000 haddock, 12,000 cod.
- Sch. Annie and Jennie, 5000 cod.
- Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 47 swordfish.
- Sch. Frances V. Silva, 10,000 haddock, 6000 cod.
- Sch. Louise R. Sylva, 13,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.
- Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 40,000 haddock, 5000 cod.
- Sch. William A. Morse, 7000 haddock, 4000 cod.
- Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 2000 haddock, 5000 hake.
- Sch. Flora J. Sears.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 20,000 haddock, 150,00 cod.
- Sch. Louise C. Cabral, 4000 haddock, 7000 cod.
- Sch. Latona, 180,00 cod, 20,000 salt cod, 30,000 cusk, 800 halibut.
- Sch. Boyd and Leeds.
- Sch. Grace Darling, 200,00 cod.
- Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, 21,000 cod.
- Sch. James and Arthur, 30,000 cod.
- Sch. Robert and Arthur, 70,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 8000 hake.
- Sch. Appomattox, 20,000 cod.
- Sch. Buema, 25,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. Sea Fox, 11,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.
- Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 3500 haddock, 500 cod.
- Sch. Edward A. Rich, 17 swordfish.
- Sch. Flavilla, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod.
- Sch. Jessie Costa, 25,000 cod.
- Sch. Benj. F. Phillips, 23,000 cod.
- Sch. Mabel Bryson, 18 swordfish.
- Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, 25,000 cod.
- Sch. John A. Allen, 55 swordfish.
- Sch. Bertha M. Bailey, 23,000 cod.
- Sch. John M. Keen, 17,000 cod.
- Sch. Julia Costa, 8000 haddock, 5000 cod.
- Haddock, 75 cts. to \$1 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50 to \$4; market cod, \$1.50; hake \$2; swordfish, 6 cts. per lb.; fresh mackerel, 17 cts. each.

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LARGE MACKEREL.

Sch. Arthur James Lands 200 Barrels at Newport.

Schs. Good Luck and Emerald Have 40 and 30 Bbls.

A despatch to the Times this afternoon from Newport gives the following arrivals at that port: Sch. Arthur James, Capt. Archibald Devine, 200 barrels large mackerel.

Sch. Good Luck, Capt. Melin McLean, 40 barrels large mackerel.

Sch. Emerald, Capt. Albert Greenlow, 30 barrels large mackerel.

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Mackerel Receipts.

The gasoline boat Herbert and Emma landed 700 fresh mackerel at Bennett's wharf this noon, mostly medium with a few large.

Boat Water Witch brought in 500 mediums which were also purchased by the same concern.

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LANDED FISH.

Sch. Sceptre Will Continue Voyage from North Sydney.

Has 200,000 Pounds of Salt Codfish And Will Ship Part.

The Sydney, C. B., Daily Post of Tuesday has the following:

"With the largest catch of fish reported this season so far, the Gloucester schooner Sceptre, Capt. Larkin arrived in port last night. There is at least two hundred thousand pounds of cod on board, and Captain Larkin was obliged to sail for North Sydney in order to store some of the fish that he might make room for more. After placing a considerable quantity of cod in the warehouse on Dominion wharf the Sceptre will sail for Flemish Cape, when Capt. Larkin expects to come back again loaded.

"The success of Capt. Larkin's on this trip has revived the question of fitting up a fleet of fishing craft at this port. Last summer several well known business men got together, and after studying out the matter were of the opinion that the proposition could not but prove a profitable one. Such an industry would mean much for not only the promoters of the scheme, but for a large number of men who would find employment."

The amount, 200,000 pounds, is not a full trip for the Sceptre, yet it is too much to keep on board and continue the voyage and Capt. Larkin probably does not want to come home now, as caplin have struck in and he sees chances of getting good fishing right away, so it seems that he has decided to land part of his fare and ship them home and continue from there, thus saving the time it would take to come home, unload and get out again and this at a time when time is most valuable and bait is plentiful.

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PARAGRAPH WILL STAND.

No Change Regarding Codfish In Pure Food Bill.

Considerable Fun Poked at Provision in Conference.

The pure food bill was agreed upon by the conferees for the national senate and house yesterday and was reported to the senate just before adjournment. The house bill was taken as a basis of agreement and into this were grafted many of the important sections of the senate measure.

In the conferences over the meat inspection rider and the pure food bill considerable fun has been poked at the provision in the latter for preserving codfish by boric acid. The point was raised by House conferees on the agricultural bill, who resented Mr. Lodge's recent attack on the "beer barons," that the codfish paragraph in the pure food bill should apply only to the export trade.

Representative Mann said last night, however, that the codfish paragraph could not be changed. "It was passed in identical language by Senate and House," he added, "and is not a subject of conference at all."